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SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES UPDATE (PASS TO ALL  
AVIATION ACTIVITIES)

REFERENCES:

- A. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMORANDUM, 7 JUN 96, SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES POLICY.
- B. DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMORANDUM, 21 JUN 96, SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES.
- C. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE MEMORANDUM, 2 APR 97, SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES.
- D. MSG, DIRUSAASA FT BELVOIR VA, MOAS-AI, DTG 271236Z JUN 96, SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES.
- E. MSG, JOINT STAFF, WASHINGTON DC, J38, DTG 231720Z APR 97, SUBJECT: DOD INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES.

1. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE DOD INSTRUMENT PROCEDURES POLICY, IAW REF A ABOVE.

A. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AIRCREWS FLYING MILITARY PASSENGER AND TROOP-CARRYING AIRCRAFT WILL NOT FLY A NON-DOD INSTRUMENT APPROACH THAT HAS NOT BEEN VALIDATED AS SAFE AND ACCURATE. A NON-DOD INSTRUMENT APPROACH MUST BE VALIDATED IAW FAA HANDBOOK 8260.3, UNITED STATES STANDARD FOR TERMINAL INSTRUMENT PROCEDURES (TERPS).

B. EACH SERVICE WILL ENSURE THAT AIRCREWS ARE TRAINED IN THE PROPER USE OF NON-DOD APPROACHES. THIS INCLUDES ENSURING THAT AIRCREWS FLY AN APPROACH ONLY IF THEY HAVE THE NECESSARY COCKPIT INSTRUMENTATION FOR THE SPECIFIC APPROACH. IN ADDITION, AIRCREWS MUST BE PROPERLY TRAINED FOR EACH SPECIFIC THEATER IN WHICH THEY WILL OPERATE. THE PREPARATION AND TRAINING WILL INCLUDE A THOROUGH REVIEW OF THAT THEATER'S UNIQUE INSTRUMENT REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES.

2. IAW REF B THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AMPLIFIED THE INITIAL GUIDANCE. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, DOD AIRCREWS FLYING MILITARY PASSENGER AND TROOP-CARRYING AIRCRAFT WILL NOT FLY A NON-US GOVERNMENT (USG) INSTRUMENT APPROACH THAT HAS NOT BEEN VALIDATED AS SAFE AND ACCURATE BY THE FAA OR THE APPROPRIATE US MILITARY AUTHORITY. A NON-USG INSTRUMENT APPROACH MUST BE VALIDATED IAW UNITED STATES STANDARD FOR TERMINAL INSTRUMENT PROCEDURES (TERPS) (FAA HANDBOOK 8260.3), NATO APATC-1, OR ICAO PANS-OPS (DOC8168- OPS/611).

3. IAW REF C THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE HAS ESTABLISHED LIMITED WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR URGENT REQUIREMENTS TO FLY SHORT-NOTICE HUMANITARIAN, CONTINGENCY, MEDEVAC, "SPECIAL ACCESS" AND URGENT STATE DEPARTMENT MISSIONS. THE O-8 OR HIGHER FLAG OFFICER IN THE CHAIN OF COMMAND WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSION RISK ASSESSMENT MAY WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR TERMINAL INSTRUMENT PROCEDURE (TERPS) REVIEW FOR URGENT MISSIONS AS

DESCRIBED ABOVE. THIS AUTHORITY WILL NOT BE FURTHER DELEGATED.  
4. THE WAIVER AUTHORITY ONLY PERTAINS TO THE NON-USG  
INSTRUMENT PROCEDURE REVIEW FOR URGENT, SHORT-NOTICE  
REQUIREMENTS. ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF SECDEF POLICY REMAIN IN  
EFFECT. REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO POLICY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED  
THROUGH COMMAND CHANNELS TO DIRECTOR, USAASA, ATTN: MOAS-AJ,  
9325 GUNSTON RD, STE N319, FORT BELVOIR, VA 22060-5582.  
5. POC FOR THIS ACTION IS MR. WALTER PERRON, USAASA, DSN 656-4410.